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Frederick County Health Department

# ***Public Health Alert***

DATE: May 31, 2022

## **Person Bitten by Unknown Dog in Waterford Park in Frederick, Maryland, on Sunday, May 29, 2022. Seeking Owner of Dog.**

A person was bitten by a dog on Sunday, May 29, 2022, around 12:30 PM in the Waterford Park near the butterfly field, in Frederick, Maryland. The Waterford Park is near Baughmans Lane and Rosemont Avenue. The bite occurred when the victim and the leashed dog passed each other on the path. The dog is described as a small, white, Jack Russell Terrier type dog with longer hair. The dog was being walked by a tall, gray-haired man who may have been in his 70s.

Contact is needed to confirm the dog's health and whereabouts. The dog will need to be quarantined, which can occur in the owner's home, for 10 days to monitor its health. If the animal is confirmed to be in good health 10 days after the bite, it will be allowed to resume normal activity, and the victim can avoid receiving unnecessary and expensive post-exposure rabies vaccinations. The Frederick County Health Department is asking that the owner or anyone who has information about the animal contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

If you or someone in your family is bitten or scratched by a dog or cat, obtain contact information from the animal's owner so that appropriate action can be taken. Report bites to Animal Control at 301-600-1544. Report possible human exposure to Community Health Services at 301-600-3342. For general rabies questions, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717. Visit [health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES](https://health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES) for more information.

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